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*****RENEW NOW*****

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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Needed: Schematic and info for SINGER FRIEDEN HSP-30 Serial printer (Mod 14325)
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Correction: The last fix for CSS DEF FN (see page 16 last issue) should read:
18FE BDO313

New fix: If you are not able to display the stack on your CRT1 or 1A board
Larry Sambuco has a correction for the board. E7 Pin 1 should be
clocked only by a jumper coming from E19 pin 12. Larry also put
a 470 Pf. capacitor from E7 pin 8 to ground. Some Spheres have no
problem in displaying the stack on the screen so check first before
getting out the soldering iron.

64 Character screen fix for Chuck Crayne OS1 Disk Operating System Editor:

<u>Address</u>	<u>for</u>	<u>V. 1.0</u>	<u>V. 2.0</u>	<u>Change</u>
080E			0CB3	E020 to E040
0815			0CBA	E200 to E400
08DE			07DE	20 to 40
08E6			0D86	20 to 40
08F8			0D98	20 to 40
0901			0DA1	E200 to E400
091D			0DBD	E0 to C0
0978			0E1D	E1E0 to E3C0
0992			0E37	E020 to E040
0994			0E3A	20 to 40
0999			0E3F	E1E0 to E3C0
09A6			0E4C	E1DF to E3BF
09AB			0E50	20 to 40
09B0			0E56	E01F to E03F
09BA			0E60	E03F to E07F
09F5			0EA2	E020 to E040
0A1A			0EC9	E01A to E03A
0A27			0ED4	E020 to E040

In addition I have written a utility which is used with the OS1 version
1.0 but which could be also converted to version 2.0 . It sits up in ROM
and performs the following: ALLOCATE (to directory)

- KILL (remove filename from directory)
- DISPLAY (display the directory)
- EXIT (return to the calling program).

This allows Basic, Forth, Pascal and other programs to have a command
which gives control to the user of the file directory of that disk. The
job of saving and loading program or data files is left to the calling
program because each one will necessarily use a format which is unique.

Jeff

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There is no money in the bank account to finance
another issue. Rising printing costs and postage
have eliminated our reserves.

WE ALSO WILL NEED MORE MATERIAL TO CONTINUE THIS NEWSLETTER. EVEN IF
IT IS NOT TYPED SEND IT!!!!!!!

I HAVE BEEN USING THE BETA DIGITAL TAPE DRIVE BY MECA ON MY SPHERE FOR APPROXIMATELY A YEAR. IN THAT TIME I HAVE FOUND IT TO BE AN EXTREMELY RELIABLE DRIVE. I WENT TO THIS DRIVE BECAUSE IT IS EQUIPPED WITH AN INTELLIGENT CONTROLLER (8035 WITH 2K ROM OPER SYS) WHICH ALLOWS IT TO BE EASILY "IO MAPPED" INTO A PIA.

I AM USING STANDARD TDK (AD SERIES) CASSETTE TAPES INSTEAD OF THE RECOMMENDED DIGITAL TAPES WHICH ARE CONSIDERABLY MORE EXPENSIVE. CHEAPER TAPES CAN BE USED AND WILL WORK, BUT THE HIGH SPEED SEARCH OF 100 INCHES/SECOND DEMANDS THE BETTER MECHANICS I FOUND IN THE TDK SERIES OF TAPES.

HERE ARE SOME OF THE HIGH POINTS OF THE DRIVE:

1. 512K BYTES/60 MIN CASSETTE.
2. DATA FORMAT IS A 256 BYTE BLOCK PRECEDED BY AN ID.
3. ANY RECORD CAN BE RE-WRITTEN WITHOUT DISTURBING THE ONE BEFORE OR AFTER IT. AS A MATTER OF FACT, BECAUSE OF THE DISK DRIVE APPEARANCE TO SOFTWARE, I SUPPOSE YOU COULD EVEN RUN IT UNDER A DOS, OF COURSE AT A GREATLY REDUCED SPEED.
4. THE FIRST DRIVE WITH THE INTEGRAL CONTROLLER COSTS \$400.00 AND EXTRA DRIVES (UP TO 3) COST AN ADDITIONAL \$270.00.

NOTE: THESE PRICES MAY HAVE CHANGED SINCE MY PURCHASE.

5. HIGH LEVEL COMMANDS ARE USED TO ACCESS AND CHANGE DATA, CONTROL THE DRIVE(S), ETC.
6. USES ONLY 1 PIA CHIP (BOTH A AND B SIDES).
7. EACH TAPE USES AN UPPER AND A LOWER TRACK, SO NO REVERSAL OF THE CASSETTE IS NECESSARY.
8. OPERATION OF THE DRIVE IS 100 PERCENT SOFTWARE CONTROLLED.

9. HIGH SPEED SEARCH CAPABILITY BY COUNTING TAKE UP REEL
REVOLUTIONS USING A TACHOMETER. THIS MEANS THAT IF YOU
HAVE JUST READ BLOCK 258 AND THEN WANT TO READ BLOCK 017,
THE BETA WILL UNLOAD IT'S HEAD, AND HIGH SPEED REWIND
TILL JUST BEFORE BLOCK 017. IT WILL THEN LOAD THE HEAD AND
PROCEED TO READ THE BLOCK.

10. FOUR MOTORS - CAPSTAN, LEFT REEL, RIGHT REEL, AND
HEAD LOAD/UNLOAD.

HERE'S THE TAPE FORMAT.....

GAP - ID - GAP - 256 BYTE DATA BLOCK - GAP - ID - GAP - 256 BYTE
DATA BLOCK - ETC.

THE WRITE AND READ DATA RATES ARE 500 BYTES/SEC WHICH WILL NOT
CAUSE ANY PROBLEMS WITH THE SPHERE. YOU CAN ALSO USE THE ON BOARD
BUFFER IN THE BETA TO DO A "BACK GROUND" TAPE COPY WITHOUT THE NEED
TO FIRST READ DATA FROM ONE DRIVE INTO THE SPHERE, AND THEN SEND IT
BACK TO WRITE IT ON ANOTHER DRIVE. IN THIS MODE THE ONLY INTERFACE
ACTIVITY WILL BE TO ISSUE A COMMAND TO READ FROM ONE DRIVE, CK ENDING
STATUS, THEN WRITE THE BUFFER CONTENTS ONTO ANOTHER DRIVE. THE DATA
NEED NEVER GO INTO SPHERE MEMORY. PRETTY NEAT, HUH ? YOU CAN ALSO
DO "PEEK" AND "POKE" DIRECTLY INTO THE BETA BUFFER.

THE TOTAL AGGREGATE DATA IS ABOUT 385 BYTES/SEC WHEN READING
MULTIPLE BLOCKS OF DATA BECAUSE OF THE GAPS AND ID'S. MECA ALSO HAS
A FASTER DRIVE AVAILABLE BUT THAT'S MORE BUCKS AND MEANS CHANGING THE
ORIGINAL TAPE DECKS FOR FASTER TAPE DECKS (1000 BYTES/SEC).

INCLUDED WITH THIS BRIEF INTRODUCTION OF THE BETA IS MY "OPERATING SYSTEM" WHICH VERY CLOSELY DUPLICATES SPHERE CASSETTES. ALSO, I PAD IN THE EVENT YOU ARE NOT WRITING OR READING AN EXACT MULTIPLE OF 256 BYTES, WHICH HAPPENS QUITE NORMALLY. THIS MEANS IF YOU WANT TO SAVE A PROGRAM AT \$0200 TO \$02C6 THE CODE WILL PAD THE REMAINING BYTES SO A FULL BLOCK IS WRITTEN. AS THE BYTE CT IS RECORDED, YOU ONLY HAVE TO SPECIFY THE START ADDRESS WHEN DOING A READ AND THE ENDING DATA ADDRESS WILL BE BUILT AT \$3E AND \$3F. ALSO, WHEN THE ABOVE EXAMPLE RECORD IS READ BACK, ONLY THE CONTENTS OF \$0200 TO \$02C6 WILL BE READ INTO, AND THE EXTRA BYTES DISCARDED AGAIN TO COMPLETE A 256 BYTE BLOCK IN ORDER TO KEEP THE BETA HAPPY.

BETA PARAMETER USAGE FOLLOWS:

\$33,34 = TBBB WHERE T IS A TRACK NUMBER FROM 0 TO 7 AND B IS A BLOCK NUMBER FROM 000 TO 999.

NOTE: TRACK 0 AND 1 IS ON DRIVE 0, TRACK 2 AND 3 IS ON DRIVE 1, ETC.

\$38,39 = NOT USED

\$3C,3D = STARTING DATA ADDRESS

\$3E,3F = ENDING DATA ADDRESS

R O M E N T R Y P O I N T D E S C R I P T I O N S

THE FOLLOWING LABELS WILL RETURN TO DEBUG WHEN FINISHED...

LABEL	FUNCTION DESCRIPTION	\$0033,34	\$003C,3D	\$003E,3F
BINIT	INIT PIA	N/A	N/A	N/A
BWRITE	WRITE FROM MEMORY AND VERIFY	TBBB	BEG ADR	END ADR
BREAD	READ INTO MEMORY	TBBB	BEG ADR	CALCULATED
BINREW	INIT PIA AND REWIND UNIT SEL'D BY \$0033 (T)	TXXX	N/A	N/A
REWIND	REWINDS UNIT SEL'D BY \$0033 (T)	TXXX		

THE FOLLOWING LABELS ARE SUBROUTINE ENTRY POINTS...

LABEL	FUNCTION DESCRIPTION	\$0033,34	\$003C,3D	\$003E,3F
WRITE2	WRITE FROM MEMORY AND VERIFY	TBBB	BEG ADR	END ADR
READ2	READ INTO MEMORY	TBBB	BEG ADR	CALCULATED
VERIF2	VERIFY DATA (NO DATA XFER)	TBBB	BEG ADR	END ADR
RWIND	REWINDS UNIT SEL'D BY \$0033 (T)	TXXX	N/A	N/A
INIT	INIT PIA	N/A	N/A	N/A

XXX USED ABOVE = DON'T CARE

NOTE 1: \$0009 IS SET TO NON-ZERO IF A READ, VERIFY, OR TAPE PROTECTED ERROR OCCURS AND CLEARED OTHERWISE, SO IT IS TESTABLE JUST AS IF YOU WERE USING THE SPHERE CASSETTES. ALSO, IF \$003A IS ZERO, NO PRINTING WILL OCCUR ON THE CRT, OTHERWISE THE USUAL WRITE AND READ POSITIONS IN THE UPPER RIGHT HAND OF THE CRT WILL BE UPDATED AS DATA IS READ OR WRITTEN TO THE CONTROLLER. I DO AN ENQUIRY COMMAND AT THE COMPLETION OF EVERY COMMAND AND WILL PRINT IT AT THE CURRENT CURSOR POSITION UNLESS \$003A IS ZERO.

NOTE 2: THE "BOOT" AT \$F818 DOES A PIA INIT, REWINDS THE DRIVE SELECTED BY THE LEFT NIBBLE OF \$0033(T), READS THE SPECIFIED BLK(BBB) INTO THE ADDRESS SPECIFIED AT \$003C, TESTS \$0009 FOR AN ERROR, AND JUMPS TO THE ADDRESS AT \$003C FOR EXECUTION IF NO ERROR, OR RETURNS TO DEBUG.

NOTE 3: PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE ARE THINGS IN THIS MONITOR THAT SHOULD BE OBVIOUSLY "CLEANED UP" BUT WEREN'T BECAUSE OF LACK OF TIME. THIS MONITOR WILL WORK QUITE NICELY, BUT IF YOU SEE SOMETHING YOU DON'T CARE FOR, FEEL FREE TO CHANGE IT.

SOME PROBLEMS I CAN THINK OF ARE...

1. IF \$003A IS ZERO AND AN ERROR OCCURS, I DO AN ENQUIRY COMMAND TO THE CONTROLLER AND PRINT IT ANYWAY. IF I HAD FOLLOWED THE USE OF THE PRINT/NO-PRINT FLAG (\$3A) STRICTLY, I SHOULD NEVER PRINT UNLESS THE FLAG IS NON-ZERO.
2. THE OCCURRENCE OF AN "ECHO" ERROR WILL ALWAYS GO TO THE MONITOR. I SHOULD RE-CODE THAT AREA TO ISSUE AN ABORT SEQUENCE TO THE BETA, SET \$0009 NON-ZERO, AND RETURN TO THE USER OR DEBUG DEPENDING ON THE ENTRY POINT USED.

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003C BEGADR EQU $3C
0007 BELL EQU $07
0033 BLKND EQU $33
F040 BRDATA EQU $F040
F041 BRDCTL EQU $F041
F043 BWRCTL EQU $F043
F042 BNRDAT EQU $F042
0018 CLRCHD EQU $18
0000 CR EQU $00
FE4F DEBUG EQU $FE4F
FB88 DSPRD EQU $FB88
FB6E DSPWR EQU $FB6E
003E ENDRDR EQU $3E
0500 ENGCHD EQU $0500
E0BF ERRIND EQU $E0BF
001B ESC EQU $1B
000A LF EQU $0A
E040 LINE2 EQU $E040
F000 KBORTR EQU $F000
F001 KBORCR EQU $F001
003A NOPRNT EQU $3A
FCAD PUTCRR EQU $FCAD
0012 RDCMD EQU $12
A000 REWCHD EQU $A000
0009 STATUS EQU $09
BFF9 SWIFLG EQU $BFF9
0014 TRKCHD EQU $14
BFFA UIRVEC EQU $BFFA
BFFD UNWVEC EQU $BFFD
BFF6 USWVEC EQU $BFF6
0016 VERCHD EQU $16
0008 WKCHD EQU $0008
0017 WRCHD EQU $17
*
F818 ORG $F818
*
* BOOT LOAD FROM BETA
*
F818 BD F866 JSR INTREN
F81B BD FA1D JSR READ
F81E DE 3C LDX BEGADR
F820 96 09 LDAR STATUS RD ERROR ?
F822 26 02 BNE RARSH
F824 6E 06 JMP B,X GOTO USER PGH
F826 7E FE4F RARSH JMP DEBUG
*
* OK MONITOR OR USER SWI
* IF SWIFLG=0 THEN USER
* IF SWIFLG<>0 THEN MON
*
F829 7D BFF9 OXSWI TST SWIFLG
F82C 27 03 BEQ USWI
F82E 7E FE4F JMP DEBUG

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*
* GOTO USER SWI HANDLER
*
F831 7E DFFC USWI JMP USWVEC
*
F840 ORG $F840
*
F840 BD F86A BINIT JSR INIT
F843 7E FE4F DEBG JMP DEBUG
F846 BD F858 DWRITE JSR WRITE2
F849 20 F8 BRR DEBG
F84B BD FA1B BREND JSR READ
F84E 20 F3 BRR DEBG
F850 BD F93B WRITE2 JSR WRITE
F853 96 09 LDAR STATUS
F855 27 00 BCW VERIF2
F857 39 RTS
F858 8D 0C BINREW BSR INTREW
F85A 20 E7 BRR DEBG
F85C 7E FA1B READ2 JMP READ
F85F 7E FA8C VERIF2 JMP VERIFY
F862 80 2A REMIND BSR RWIND
F864 20 0D BRR DEBG
F866 8D 02 INTREW BSR INIT
F868 20 24 BRR RWIND
*
F86A 4F INIT CLRA
F86B B7 F041 STAA BRDCTL SEL
F86E B7 F043 STAA BWRCTL DDR'S.
F871 B7 F040 STAA BRDATA A=INP
F874 43 COMA
F875 B7 F042 STAA BNRDATA B=OUT
F878 86 2C LDAR #$2C
F87A B7 F041 STAA BRDCTL A=+IRQ,STB'1
F87D 7D F040 TST BRDATA RES A IRQ
F880 86 2E LDAR #$2E
F882 B7 F043 STAA BWRCTL B=-IRQ,STB'1
F885 8D 13 BSR WTELF
F887 86 18 LDAR #CLRCHD
F889 B7 F042 STAA BNRDAT
F88C 20 0C BRR WTELF
*
* SEL TRACK USING LEFT
* NIBBLE OF 'DLKND' AND
* DO A REWIND.
*
F88E BD F899 RWIND JSR SELTRK
F891 CE 1A00 LDX #REWCHD
F894 DF 00 STX WKCHD
F896 8D 13 BSR SDCMD
F898 20 3C BRR ENDOP
*
* LOOP FOR 4 MS OR UNTIL
* BETA SENDS A LINE FD.

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*
F89A 5F WTELF CLR B
F89B 5A CTDOWN DECB
F89C 27 00 BEQ RTN1
F89E 7D F041 TST BRDCTL
F8A1 2A F8 BPL CTDOWN
F8A3 B6 F040 LDAA BRDATA
F8A6 81 0A CMPA #LF
F8A8 26 F1 BNE CTDOWN
F8AA 39 RTN1 RTS
*
* SEND CMD TO BETA AND
* CK FOR PROPER ECHO.
*
F8AB CE 0000 SNOCMD LDX #WRCMD
F8AE A6 00 LDAA 0,X
F8B0 8D 67 BSR SNDRCV SEND CMD
F8B2 BD F930 JSR ROBETA READ ECHO
F8B5 84 BF ANDA #90F IGNORE BITS
F8B7 A1 00 CMPA 0,X ECHO OK ?
F8B9 27 00 BEQ NXTBYT
*
F8BB 31 ERRE INS
F8BC 31 INS
F8BD 06 45 LDAB #1E
F8BF D7 09 ERRN STAB STATUS
F8C1 F7 E00F STAB ERRIND
F8C4 7E FE4F JMP DEBUG DIE!DIE!DIE!
*
F8C7 00 NXTBYT INX
F8C9 A6 00 LDAA 0,X
F8CA 8D 4D BSR SNDRCV
F8CC A1 00 CMPA 0,X ECHO OK ?
F8CE 26 EB BNE ERRE
F8D0 81 00 CMPA #CR
F8D2 26 F3 BNE NXTBYT
F8D4 20 04 BRA WTELF
*
* GOOD END = 07, 0D, 0A
* BAD = 07, ER, 07, 0D, 0A
*
F8D6 8D 58 ENDOP BSR ROBETA
F8D8 81 07 CKBELL CMPA #BELL
F8DA 26 FA BNE ENDOP
F8DC 5F CLR B
F8DD 8D 51 BSR ROBETA
F8DF 81 00 CMPA #CR
F8E1 27 03 BEQ RDLF
F8E3 53 HAVEKR COMB
F8E4 97 09 STAB STATUS
F8E6 8D 48 RDLF BSR ROBETA
F8E8 81 0A CMPA #LF
F8EA 2C FA BNE RDLF
F8EC 5D TSTB

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F8ED 26 08 BNE DOEND
F8EF 7F 0009 CLR STATUS
F8F2 96 3A LDAA NOPRNT
F8F4 26 01 BNE DOEND
F8F6 39 RTS
*
* PRINT CURRENT DRIVE
* STATUS ON CRT.
*
F8F7 86 00 DOEND LDAA #CR
F8F9 BD FC0D JSR PUTCHR
F8FC CE 0500 LDX #ENOCMD
F8FF DF 00 STX WRCMD
F901 8D A8 BSR SNOCMD
F903 8D 28 END BSR ROBETA
F905 81 07 CMPA #BELL
F907 27 FA BEQ END
F909 81 0A CMPA #LF
F90B 27 90 BEQ RTN1
F90D 0D FC0D JSR PUTCHR
F910 20 F1 BRA END
*
F912 97 09 ERROR STAB STATUS
F914 B7 E00F STAB ERRIND
F917 20 B0 BRA ENDOP
*
* NOTE: IF ESC CHAR IS
* NORMAL DATA, IT IS
* SENT TWICE.
*
F919 8D 07 SNDRCV BSR WRBETA
F91B 8D 13 BSR ROBETA
F91D 81 1B CMPA #ESC
F91F 27 01 BEQ WRBETA
F921 39 RTS
*
* WRITE A BYTE TO BETA
*
F922 7D F043 WRBETA TST BWRCTL
F925 2A FB BPL WRBETA
F927 7D F042 TST BWRDAT RESET IRQ
F92A B7 F042 STAB BWRDAT
F92D 7E FB6E JMP DSPWR
*
* READ A BYTE FROM BETA
*
F930 7D F041 ROBETA TST BRDCTL
F933 2A FB BPL ROBETA
F935 0C F040 LDAA BRDATA
F938 7C FB08 JMP DSPRD
*
F93B 0C 17 WRITE LDAB #WRCMD
F93D 8D 3D BSR SETUP
F93F 96 3F LDAA ENDADR+1

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F941 D6 3E      LDAB ENADR
F943 90 3D      SUBA BEGRDR+1  BA = BYTE
F945 D2 3C      SBCB BEGRDR    COUNT.
F947 37        PSAB
F948 16        TAB
F949 8D CE      BSR SNDRCV WR LO CT BYT
F94B 10        SBA
F94C 33        PULB
F94D 4D        TSTR ECHO OK ?
F94E 27 03      BEQ WCT2
F950 7E F8D8    NCTERR JMP  CKBELL
*
F953 17        NCT2  TBA
F954 8D C3      BSR SNDRCV WR HI CT BYT
F956 11        CBA  ECHO OK ?
F957 26 F7      BNC  NCTERR
F959 06 FE      LDAB #256-2 B=BYT CTR
F95B DE 3C      LDX  BEGRDR
F95D A6 00      NR1  LDAB 0,X
F95F 8D B8      BSR SNDRCV
F961 A1 00      CMPA 0,X ECHO OK ?
F963 27 03      BEQ  NR2
F965 7E F8D8    JMP  CKBELL
F968 5A        NR2 DECB UPDATE BYT CTR
F969 9C 3E      CPX  ENADR
F96B 27 03      BEQ  CKWPAD
F96D 00        INX
F96E 20 ED      BRA  NR1
*
* IF B<0 THEN WRITE 0'S
* TO FINISH A 256 BYTE
* BLOCK.
*
F970 5D        CKWPAD TSTB
F971 27 06      BEQ  NOWPAD
F973 4F        WRPAD CLR
F974 8D A3      BSR SNDRCV
F976 5A        DECB
F977 26 FA      BNE  WRPAD
F979 7E F8D6    NOWPAD JMP  ENDOP
*
* SEL TRACK, STORE CMD,
* BLOCK CT, ADDITIONAL
* BLOCK CT, AND SEND
* ALL TO BETA.
*
F97C 37        SETUP PSAB SAVE CMD
F97D 8D 0A      BSR  SELTRK
F97F 33        PULB
F980 D7 00      STAB WKCMD
F982 8D 24      BSR  SETBLK
F984 8D 45      BSR  SETCT
F986 7E F8A8    JMP  SDCMD
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* SELECT TRACK USING LEFT
* NIBBLE OF 'BLKNO'.
*
F988 96 33      SELTRK LDAB BLKNO
F98B 44        LSR
F98C 44        LSR
F98D 44        LSR
F98E 44        LSR
F98F 84 07      ANDR #7
F991 8A 30      ORAR #430
F993 97 01      STAR WKCMD+1
F995 06 14      LDAB #TRKCMD
F997 D7 00      STAB WKCMD
F999 06 0D      LDAB #CR
F99B D7 02      STAB WKCMD+2
F99D 8D F8A8    JSR  SDCMD
*
F9A0 8D F930    WTELF2 JSR  RBETA
F9A3 81 0A      CMPA #LF
F9A5 26 F9      BNE  WTELF2
F9A7 39        RTS
*
* 'BLKNO' FORMAT = TBBB,
* WHERE T IS TRK, AND B
* IS STARTING BLOCK.
* AT END OF THIS SUB.
* 'WKCMD' =
* CMD B B B , X X X X
*
F9A8 CE 0000    SETBLK LDX  #WKCMD
F9AB D6 33      LDAB BLKNO
F9AD 8D 17      BSR  ASCRT
F9AF E7 01      STAB 1,X
F9B1 D6 34      LDAB BLKNO+1
F9B3 8D 00      BSR  ASCLFT
F9B5 E7 02      STAB 2,X
F9B7 D6 34      LDAB BLKNO+1
F9B9 8D 00      BSR  ASCRT
F9BB E7 03      STAB 3,X
F9BD D6 2C      LDAB #',
F9BF E7 04      STAB 4,X
F9C1 39        RTS
F9C2 54        ASCLFT LSR
F9C3 54        LSR
F9C4 54        LSR
F9C5 54        LSR
F9C6 C4 0F      ASCRT ANDB #40F
F9C8 CA 30      ORAR #430
F9CA 39        RTS
*
* AT END OF THIS SUB.
* 'WKCMD' =
* CMD B B B , C C C 400
*

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F900 0E 0000 SETCT LDX #WKCMD
F90E A6 00 LDAB 0,X
F900 01 12 CMPA #RCOMD
F902 27 38 BEQ MAXCT
F904 06 3E LDAB ENDADR
F906 96 3F LDAB ENDADR+1
F908 90 3D SUBA BEGADR+1
F90A D2 3C SBCB BEGADR
F90C 08 02 ADDA #2
F90E 09 00 ADCB #0 B=EXTRA BLK CT
F9E0 6F 06 CLR 6,X
F9E2 6F 07 CLR 7,X
F9E4 50 TSTB
F9E5 27 11 BEQ CT2ASC

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*
* CONVERT BLK CT IN B TO
* PACKED DECIMAL IN
* WKCMD+6,7.
*

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F9E7 A6 07 CT2DEC LDAB 7,X
F9E9 08 01 ADDA #1
F9EB 19 DAA
F9EC A7 07 STAB 7,X
F9EE A6 06 LDAB 6,X
F9F0 09 00 ADDA #0
F9F2 19 DAA
F9F3 A7 06 STAB 6,X
F9F5 5A DECB
F9F6 26 EF BNE CT2DEC

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*
* CONV PACKED DECIMAL IN
* WKCMD+6,7 TO ASCII
* IN WKCMD+5,6,7.
*

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F9F8 E6 06 CT2ASC LDAB 6,X
F9FA 8D 0A BSR ASCRT
F9FC E7 05 STAB 5,X
F9FE E6 07 LDAB 7,X
FA00 8D 0A BSR ASCLFT
FA02 E7 06 STAB 6,X
FA04 E6 07 LDAB 7,X
FA06 8D 0A BSR ASCRT
FA08 E7 07 STAB 7,X
FA0A 26 0A BRA SETOR

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*
* ALL READS USE AN EXTRA
* BLOCK CT OF 255.
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FA0C 06 32 MAXCT LDAB #12
FA0E E7 05 STAB 5,X
FA10 06 35 LDAB #15
FA12 E7 06 STAB 6,X
FA14 E7 07 STAB 7,X
FA16 06 00 SETOR LDAB #CR

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FA18 E7 06 STAB 6,X
FA1A 39 RTS
*
* ALL READS USE A MAX
* BLOCK CT AS WE DON'T
* KNOW THE BLK CT. THE
* 1ST 2 BYTES READ ARE
* THE BYTE CT WHICH IS
* USED TO SET UP 'ENDADR'
* AT $3E WHEN THE INDEX
* MATCHES 'ENDADR', READ
* INTO MEM STOPS AND IF
* THE B REG = 0 WE'RE
* DONE ELSE, THE BETA
* READ DATA IS ACCEPTED
* TILL THAT BLK IS DONE
*
* NOTE: BETA XBITS $07
* TWICE IF NORMAL DATA!!
*

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FA1B 06 12 READ LDAB #RCOMD
FA1D 8D F97C JSR SETUP
FA20 8D F938 JSR ROBETA RD LO BYTCT
FA23 81 07 CMPA #BELL
FA25 26 07 BNE SAVLO
FA27 8D F938 JSR ROBETA
FA2A 81 07 CMPA #BELL
FA2C 26 26 BNE CTERR
FA2E 16 SAVLO TAB
FA2F 8D F938 JSR ROBETA RD HI BYTCT
FA32 81 07 CMPA #BELL
FA34 26 07 BNE FIXEND
FA36 8D F938 JSR ROBETA
FA39 81 07 CMPA #BELL
FA3B 26 10 BNE CTERR
FA3D 0D 3D FIXEND ADDB BEGADR+1
FA3F 99 3C ADDA BEGADR
FA41 07 3F STAB ENDADR+1
FA43 97 3E STAB ENDADR
FA45 06 FE LDAB #256-2
FA47 DE 3C LDX BEGADR
FA49 8D F938 RD1 JSR ROBETA
FA4C A7 06 STAB 6,X
FA4E 81 07 CMPA #BELL
FA50 26 06 BNE RD2
FA52 8D F938 JSR ROBETA
FA55 81 07 CMPA #BELL
FA57 27 04 BEQ RD2
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FA59 RDEPR EQU *
FA59 5F CTERR CLRB
FA5A 7E F8E3 JMP HAVERR
*
FA5D 5A RD2 DECB

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FA5E 9C 3E      CPM  ENDADR
FA60 27 03      BEQ  CKRPAD
FA62 00         INS
FA63 20 E4      BRA  RD1
FA65 50         CKRPAD TSTB
FA66 27 0A      BEQ  NORPAD
FA68 0D F930    ROPAD JSR  RDBETA
FA6B 01 07      CMPA #BELL
FA6D 27 EA      BEQ  RDERR
FA6F 50         DECB
FA70 26 F6      BNE  ROPAD

```

*
* THIS DELAY ALLOWS BETA
* TO SEND ERROR INFO IF
* IT OCCURRED ON END BLK.
*

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FA72 06 41      NORPAD LDAB #B5
FA74 5A         DLY  DECB
FA75 26 FD      BNE  DLY
FA77 7D F041    TST  BRDCTL
FA7A 2A 03      BPL  NRDERR
FA7C 7E F806    JMP  ENDOP

```

*
* NOW WE TELL THE BETA TO
* ABORT THE REMAINDER OF
* THE 256 BLOCK READ BY
* AN ESCAPE SEQUENCE.
*

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FA7F 06 1B      NRDERR LDAB #ESC
FA81 0D F922    JSR  WRBETA
FA84 06 0D      LDAB #CR
FA86 0D F922    JSR  WRBETA
FA89 7E F806    JMP  ENDOP

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FA8C 06 16      VERIFY LDAB #VERCMD
FA8E 0D F97C    JSR  SETUP
FA91 7E F806    JMP  ENDOP

```

*
* THIS CODE IS THE MECA
* SUPPLIED FLOWCHART FOR
* INITIAL BRINGUP OF THE
* BETA DRIVE.
*

```

FA94 0D F86A    BETMON JSR  INIT
FA97 0D 18      LOOP  BSR  TOBETA
FA99 0D 02      BSR  TOCONS
FA9B 20 FA      BRA  LOOP

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FA9D 06 F041    TOCONS LDAB BRDCTL
FAA0 2A 0E      BPL  RTN2
FAA2 06 F040    LDAB BRDTRA
FAA5 01 07      CMPA #BELL
FAA7 27 07      BEQ  RTN2
FAA9 01 0A      CMPA #LF

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FAAB 27 03      BEQ  RTN2
FAAD 7E F0A0    JMP  PUTCHR
FAAB 39         RTN2 RTS
*
FAB1 06 F043    TODETA LDAB BMRCTL
FAB4 2A FA      BPL  RTN2
FAB6 06 F001    LDAB KBDREQ
FAB9 2A F5      BPL  RTN2
FABB 06 F000    LDAB KBDATA
FABE 06 F042    LDAB BWRDAT
FAC1 01 22      CMPA #422
FAC3 26 05      BNE  WRB
FAC5 31         INS
FAC6 31         INS
FAC7 7E FE4F    JMP  DEBUG
*
FACB B7 F042    WRB  STAB BWRDAT
FACD 39         RTS
                    OPT  PAG, PRT, NOG
                    END

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NO ERROR(S) DETECTED

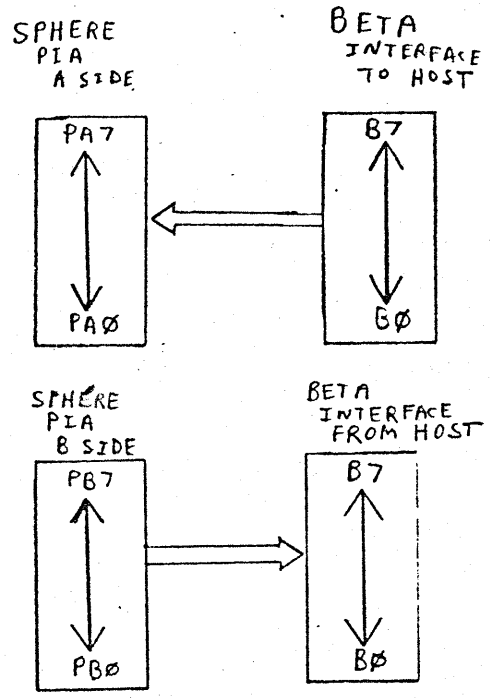
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ARRGH	F826	ASCLFT	F902
ASCRT	F906	BEGADR	003C
BELL	0007	BETMON	FA94
BINIT	F840	BINREW	F858
BLIND	0033	BWRATA	F840
BRDCTL	F041	BREND	F84B
BWRCTL	F043	BWRDAT	F042
BWRITE	F846	CKBELL	F800
CKRPAD	FA65	CKSMI	F829
CKRPAD	F970	CLRCMD	0018
CR	0000	CT2ASC	F9F8
CT2DEC	F9E7	CTDOWN	F89B
CTERR	FA59	DEBG	F843
DEBUG	FE4F	DLY	FA74
DOEND	F8F7	DSPRD	F80B
DSPWR	F86E	ENDADR	003E
ENDOP	F806	END	F903
ENDCMD	0500	ERRE	F8BB
ERRIND	E0BF	ERRN	F8BF
ERROR	F912	ESC	001B
FIXEND	FA3D	HAVERR	F8E3
INIT	F86A	INTREN	F866
KBDATA	F000	KBDREQ	F001
LF	000A	LINE2	E040
LOOP	FA97	MRXCT	FA0C
LOPRNT	003A	NORPAD	FA72
NORPAD	F979	NRDERR	FA7F
NXTBYT	F8C7	PUTCHR	F0A0
RD1	FA49	RD2	FA5D

RDDBETA	F936	RDCMD	0012
RDEPR	F959	RDLF	F8E6
RDPAD	F968	REAR	FA1B
REAR2	F85C	REWIND	189D
REWIND	F862	RTN1	F89A
RTN2	F888	RWIND	F88E
SAVLD	F92E	SELTRK	F989
SETBLK	F998	SETCR	FR16
SETCT	F9CB	SETUP	F97C
SNDCMD	F888	SNDREV	F919
STATUS	0069	SNIFLG	BFF9
TOBETA	FAE1	TOCONS	FA9D
TRKCMD	0014	UIRVEC	BFFA
UIRVEC	BFFD	USWI	F831
USWEC	BFF6	VERCMD	0016
VERIF2	F85F	VERIFY	FA8C
WCT2	F953	WCTERR	F956
WKCMD	0000	WR1	F95D
WR2	F968	WRB	F8DA
WRBETA	F922	WRCMD	0017
WRITE	F93B	WRITE2	F856
WRPAD	F973	WTELF	F89A
WTELF2	F990		

HAVE SOURCE?

SPHERE ↔ BETA INTERFACE



- CA2 → DATA ACK * 470 Ω terminating resistor in Beta was removed
- CA1 ← $\overline{\text{OBF}}$ (minus when output buffer is full)
- CB2 → INPUT STROBE * 470 Ω terminating resistor in Beta was removed
- CB1 ← DATA RCVD

JPC TO SPHERE

INTRODUCTION

THE TC-3 CASSETTE INTERFACE BOARD PROVIDES HIGH PERFORMANCE PROGRAM STORAGE FOR SWTPC COMPUTER SYSTEMS. THE INTERFACE BOARD PLUGS INTO ONE I/O SLOT OF THE SWTPC MOTHERBOARD, ELIMINATING THE INCONVENIENCE OF A SEPARATE CABINET. CONNECTION IS MADE TO A STANDARD CASSETTE RECORDER THROUGH TWO AUDIO CABLES.

THE MAJOR DESIGN GOALS FOR THE TC-3 WERE SPEED AND DATA RELIABILITY. THE INTERFACE OPERATES AT 4800 BAUD AND LOADS A 4K FILE IN 8 SECONDS. DATA IS RECORDED IN A MODIFIED FM FORMAT SIMILAR TO DISK SYSTEMS, AND THE SPEED AND RELIABILITY OF THE BOARD ARE COMPARABLE TO THOSE OF MINI-FLOPPY DISKS.

IN ADDITION TO READING AND WRITING IN HIGH SPEED BINARY, THE TC-3 IS CAPABLE OF READING OR WRITING CASSETTES IN KANSAS CITY STANDARD FORMAT WITHOUT ANY MODIFICATION TO THE INTERFACE BOARD; ALL FORMATTING IS UNDER SOFTWARE CONTROL.

THE TC-3 ALSO PROVIDES A FULLY BUFFERED 8-BIT OUTPUT PORT CAPABLE OF DIRECTLY SINKING 40 MA AT 30 VOLTS. THE PORT HAS FULL HANDSHAKE AND INTERRUPT CAPABILITY FOR USE AS A PARALLEL DATA OUTPUT PORT, OR CAN BE USED AS DISCRETE OUTPUT LINES TO CONTROL THE CASSETTE TRANSPORT.

CASSETTE RECORDERS AND TAPES

THE TC-3 IS A VERY HIGH PERFORMANCE DEVICE ... IT REQUIRES A DECENT RECORDER AND QUALITY TAPES TO BE ABLE TO DELIVER THE PERFORMANCE OF WHICH IT IS CAPABLE. THE IDEAL RECORDER FOR USE WITH THE TC-3 IS A BOTTOM-OF-THE-LINE STEREO CASSETTE DECK. A DECK DIFFERS FROM A RECORDER IN THAT IT IS DESIGNED TO BE A COMPONENT IN AN AUDIO SYSTEM AND THEREFORE HAS NO BUILT-IN SPEAKERS, OR AMPLIFIERS. THE PREAMPLIFIER SECTION IS USUALLY DESIGNED TO PROVIDE MUCH BETTER FREQUENCY RESPONSE THAN SMALL RECORDERS WITH THEIR BUILT-IN AMPLIFIERS. CASSETTE DECKS HAVE ADDITIONAL FEATURES THAT MAKE THEM DESIRABLE IN THIS APPLICATION...THEY GENERALLY HAVE VU METERS, ARE BUILT BETTER, HAVE GOOD FOOTAGE COUNTERS, HAVE SHORTER REWIND TIMES, COME WITH THE REQUIRED AUDIO CABLES, AND THE REDUNDANCY OF STEREO RECORDING IMPROVES THE DATA RELIABILITY. WE HAVE TESTED SEVERAL DECKS RANGING IN PRICE FROM \$80 TO \$150 AND ALL OF THEM PERFORMED FLAWLESSLY AT 4800 BAUD. THERE ARE SOME RECORDERS IN THE \$60 CLASS THAT WORK WELL AT 2400 BAUD, BUT ARE NOT GENERALLY RELIABLE AT 4800 BAUD, AND THEY HAVE OTHER DISADVANTAGES AS WELL.

CASSETTE TAPES ARE CRITICALLY IMPORTANT TO GOOD RESULTS. IT IS NOT WORTHWHILE EXPERIMENTING WITH CHEAP TAPE...IT JUST WON'T PROVIDE RELIABLE PERFORMANCE. WE HAVE CONSISTENTLY HAD THE BEST RESULTS WITH MEMOREX MRX-3 IN 30 OR 60 MINUTE LENGTH. OTHER HIGH OUTPUT LOW NOISE CASSETTES MAY ALSO WORK WELL. DO NOT USE 90 MINUTE CASSETTES; THEY ARE THINNER AND TEND TO JAM, AND HAVE MORE PROBLEMS WITH DROPOUT AND PRINT-THROUGH.

CONNECT THE JPC TC-3 HIGH SPEED CASSETTE SYSTEM TO THE SPHERE
- 2400 BAUD TO LOAD 8K BASIC IN 45 SECONDS RELIABILITY -

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0022 BB A04F to BB 002A	0025 B7 A04F to B7 002A	0028 BC A004 to BC 003E
002F BI A04F to BI 002A	0034 7E E0E3 to 39 0101	003A F7 A04D to F7 0028
0045 7A A04d to 7A 0028	005D F6 8010 to F6 F090	0062 FI A04E to FI 0029
0067 F7 A04E to F7 0029	006E 7F 8011 to 7F F091	0073 B7 9010 to B7 F090
0078 B7 8011 to B7 F091	0087 7F A04F to 7F 002A	008A FE A002 to FE 003C
0095 BB A04F to BB 002A	0098 B7 A04F to B7 002A	009B BC A004 to BC 003E
00A0 b6 A04F to B6 002A	00A5 7E E0E3 to 39 0101	00AE F7 A04D to F7 0028
00CI 7A A04D to 7A 0028	00CF F6 8010 to F6 F090	00DA F6 8010 to F6 F090
00DF F7 8010 to F7 F090	00E4 F6 8010 to F6 F090	00E9 F7 8010 to F7 F090

SAVE DATA TO TAPE:

1. Load TC-3 software program in Sphere memory.
2. Open 003c to XXXX begin address of data.
3. Open 003E to YYYY end address of data.
4. Open write address of TC-3 software.
5. Desk recorder in record mode for a moment.
6. Control J

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0045 7A A04d to 7A 0028	005D F6 8010 to F6 F090	0062 FI A04E to FI 0029
0067 F7 A04E to F7 0029	006E 7F 8011 to 7F F09I	0073 B7 9010 to B7 F090
0078 B7 9011 to B7 F09I	0087 7F A04F to 7F 002A	008A FE A002 to FE 003C
0095 BB A04F to BB 002A	0098 B7 A04F to B7 002A	009B BC A004 to BC 003E
00A0 b6 A04F to B6 002A	00A5 7E E0E3 to 39 0101	00AE F7 A04D to F7 0028
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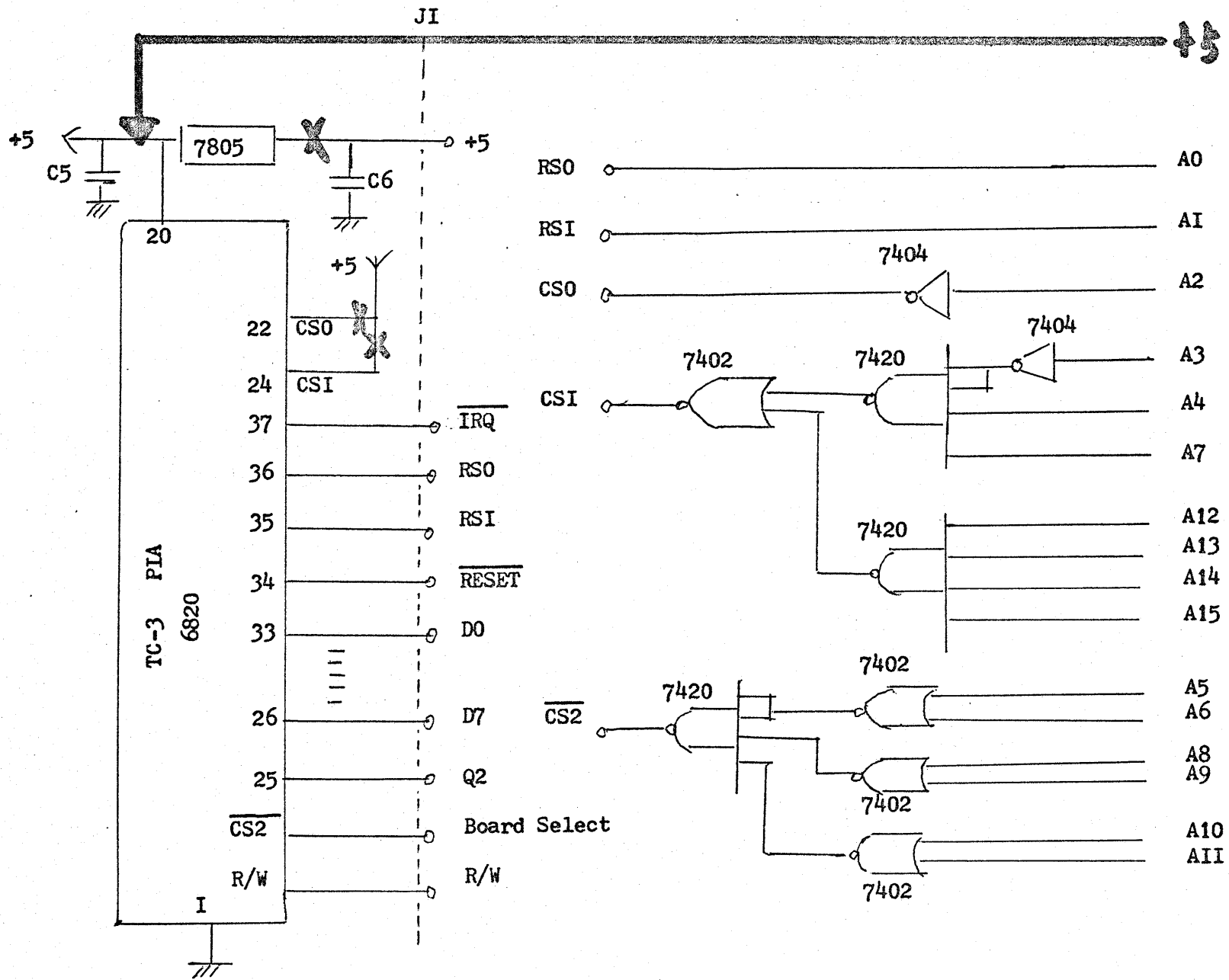
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SPHERE SYSTEM

CSS BASIC with JPC TC-3 high speed save and load

4C 4F 41 44 00 2D 00 53 41 56 45 00 2D 46 54 41 50 00 2D 6C
54 43 48 00 2D 77

- SAVE save BASIC program to tape, as long as finish, a subroutine will create 4 digital hexadecimal code to appear - size of program length-. This 4 code is as a block name of this BASIC program. Example OIA4 appear, now IA4 is this program to be name.
- LOAD XXXX load BASIC program from tape. Example load IA4 (return Key) the name IA4 BASIC program to be load.
- TAP XXXX append BAIC program from tape. as load command.
- TCH XXXX chain BASIC program from tape.

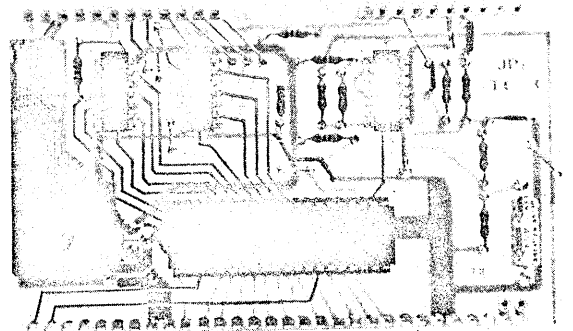
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DE 2C BD 09 63 8D 06 D7 3E 97 3F 20 05 BD FF 22 08 39 96
3D 9B 3F 97 3F 96 3C 99 3E 97 3E BD XX XX DE 3E DF 22 DF
24 CE 99 99 DF 3C DF 3E 39 20 BC 20 BD DE 20 DF 3C DE 22
DF 3E BD YY YY 96 3E D6 3F D0 3D 92 3C 97 3E D7 3F 86 57
97 ID DE 3E 8D 02 20 D3 DF 40 7E FE FC DE 20 DF IE DE 22
DF 20 8D CE DE IE DF 20 39 8D C5 7E OA C6

XXXX = TC-3 routine Read adress.
YYYY = TC-3 write adress.

Editor's Note:
We cannot legally print the full JPC software or schematics. The price is reasonable for 2400 baud cassette capabilities. Also, your SIM board could be used for other serial peripheral devices instead.

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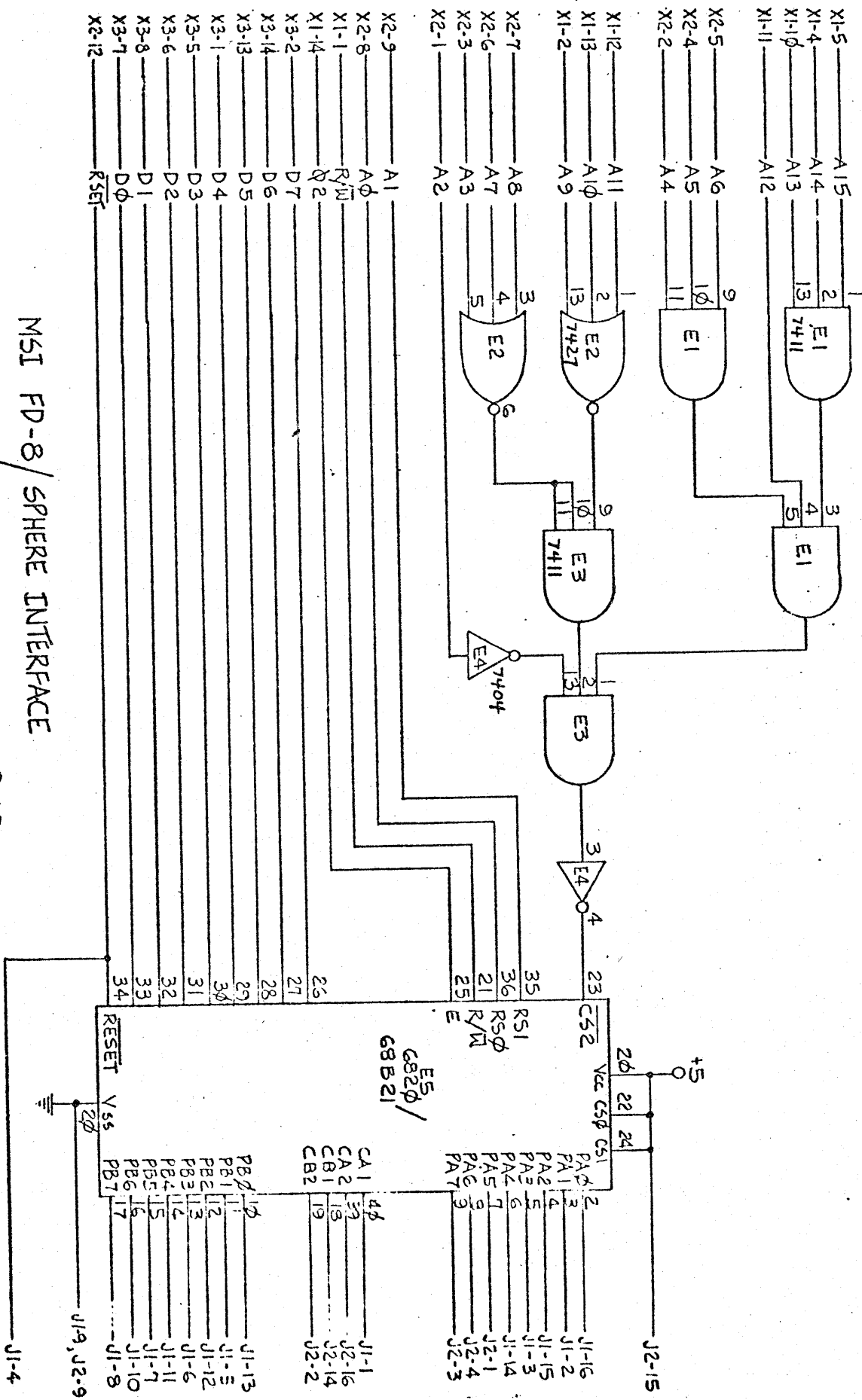
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MSI FD-8 / SPHERE INTERFACE

R.W. ENNIS
OCT 1978

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FIND DE LDX 2C
      BD JSR 0609
      DF STX 2C
      DE LDX 63
START 39 RTS
      8D BSR F4      FIND
      DF STX 6E
      09 DEX
      09 DEX
      09 DEX
      09 DEX
      EE LDX X00
      DF STX 6A
      8D BSR E8      FIND
      DF STX A2
      09 DEX
      09 DEX
      09 DEX
      09 DEX
      EE LDX X00
      DF STX 6C
      CE LDX #006A
      A6 LDAAX00
      A1 CMPAX03
      26 BNE 06      ERR
      A6 LDAAX01
      A1 CMPAX02
      27 BEQ 03      DIMSOK
ERR   7E JMP 132F    DIM ERROR
DIMSOK 6D TST X32
      27 BEQ 06      BAS1
      6C INC X00
      6C INC X01
      6C INC X02
BAS1/  D6 LDAB 6A
LOOP  37 PSHB
      DE LDX 6E
      BD JSR 0353
      DE LDX A2
      BD JSR 031E
      DE LDX 6E
      8D BSR 20      INX6
      DF STX 6E
      DE LDX A2
      96 LDAA 6B
INX   8D BSR 18      INX6
      4A DECA
      26 BNE FB      INX
      DF STX A2
      33 PULB
      5A DECB
      26 BNE E0      LOOP
      D6 LDAB 6C
      DE LDX 63
      8D BSR 09      INX6
      DF STX A2
      DF STX 63
      7A DEC 006C
      26 BNE CF      BAS1
      08 INX
      08 INX
      08 INX
      08 INX
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      08 INX

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MAT TRANS

13

SAMPLE PROGRAM

```

0010 RJUST= 3
0020 DIM A(3,3),B(3,3)
0030 MATREAD A(1,1)
0040 MATTRANS A(1,1) B(1,1)
0050 MATPRINT A(1,1);PRINT
0060 MATPRINT B(1,1)
0070 DATA 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9

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1 4 7
2 5 8
3 6 9

1 2 3
4 5 6
7 8 9

```

TEST DIMS

DIM ERROR

FIX FOR BASE=0

GET VARIABLE POINTER

GET VALUE

GET DESTINATION MATRIX POINTER

STORE TRANSPOSED VALUE

INX6

MATT IION

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DE LDX 2C
BD JSR 0609
DF STX 2C
DE LDX 63
09 DEX
09 DEX
09 DEX
09 DEX
E6 LDABX00
08 INX
A6 LDAAX00
11 CBA
27 BEQ 03
7E JMP 132F

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DIMSOK

ERROR MSG. DIM ERROR

DIMSOK

```

97 STAA 6D
08 INX
A6 LDAAX00
97 STAA 6E
08 INX
A6 LDAAX00
97 STAA 6F
08 INX

```

SAMPLE PROGRAM

CLEAR

```

6F CLR X00
08 INX
9C CPX 6E
26 BNE F9
09 DEX

```

CLEAR

```

0010 DIM A(6,6)
0020 MATIEN A(1,1)
0030 MATPRINT A(1,1)

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PUT1

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1 0 0 0 0 0
0 1 0 0 0 0
0 0 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 0 0
0 0 0 0 1 0
0 0 0 0 0 1

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CONT

EXIT

CONT

```

D6 LDAB 6D
7D TST 009C

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DECX

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27 BEQ 01
5C INCB

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DECX

```

BD JSR 04BB
5A DECB

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DECX

```

26 BNE FA

```

PUT1

```

20 BRA E1

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SUNICK
SYSTEMS

185 SUMMIT DRIVE
SANTA CRUZ, CA.
95060

December 8, 1975

Sphere Corp.
791 South 500 West
Bountiful , Utah 84010

Dear Eric,

I appreciate your returning my phone call this afternoon. I find your company very hard, if not impossible to communicate with by mail. I guess return mail is on the rock bottom of your priority list.

I was very interested by your comments on my Q2-VMA method of refresh. When I originally designed the modification, I knew much less about the system than I do now. I put the modification in and the system worked for all the simple programs that I was running. I had been noticing lately that every once in awhile, the system would blow up when I would try to re-edit an assembler program.

Today I sat down and wrote a very simple program that locks the system really tight. No refresh occurs at all, except in the tight loop that the program is in.

700 86
701 00
702 7E
703 07
704 00

Included on a separate sheet is the very simple fix for this problem, together with the entire mod in case you filed the previous one.

I have tried it with the above tight loop and it works perfectly. I hope I caught you before you sent the next news letter out. Also included are some questions that you might answer if you get time.

Regards,

William Nichparenko

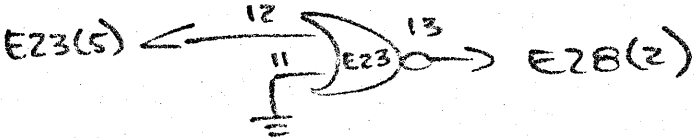
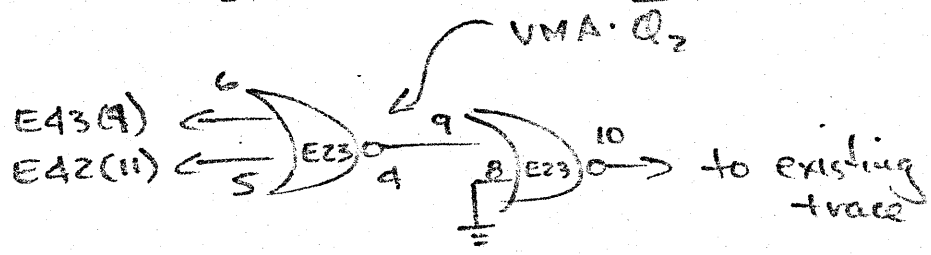
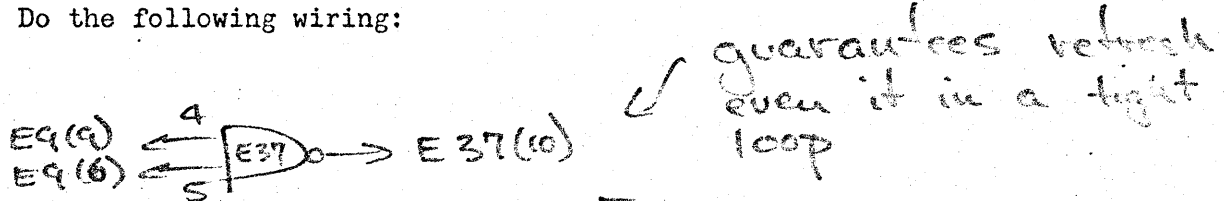


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\bar{Q}_2 VMA Method of Invisible Refresh.

- 1) Cut the following lines: E37(10) to E22(3). E35(9) to E23(8). E47(7) to E23(9). This isolates E23(8,9) and E37(10).
- 2) Cut E28(2) to E28(13), E28(2) to E45(1) then jumper E28(13) to E45(1). Cut E28(12) to E9(3), E28(12) to E35(3) then jumper E9(3) to E35(3). Both E28(2) and E28(12) are tie points and need to be isolated. A jumper must then be run to re-connect the old trace.
- 3) Do the following wiring:



Run E28(12) → +5

William Nichparenko
W. Nichparenko

Sunick Systems

February 5, 1976

Mr. Eric Jameson
Sphere Corp.
791 South 500 West
Bountiful, Utah 84010

Dear Eric,

In reference to the LRC printers, they are \$195, 1-9, \$186, 10-49, \$167, 50-99.

Below is a diagram for the memory protect circuit. It needs only the added 7402 in the blank socket on the CPU board.

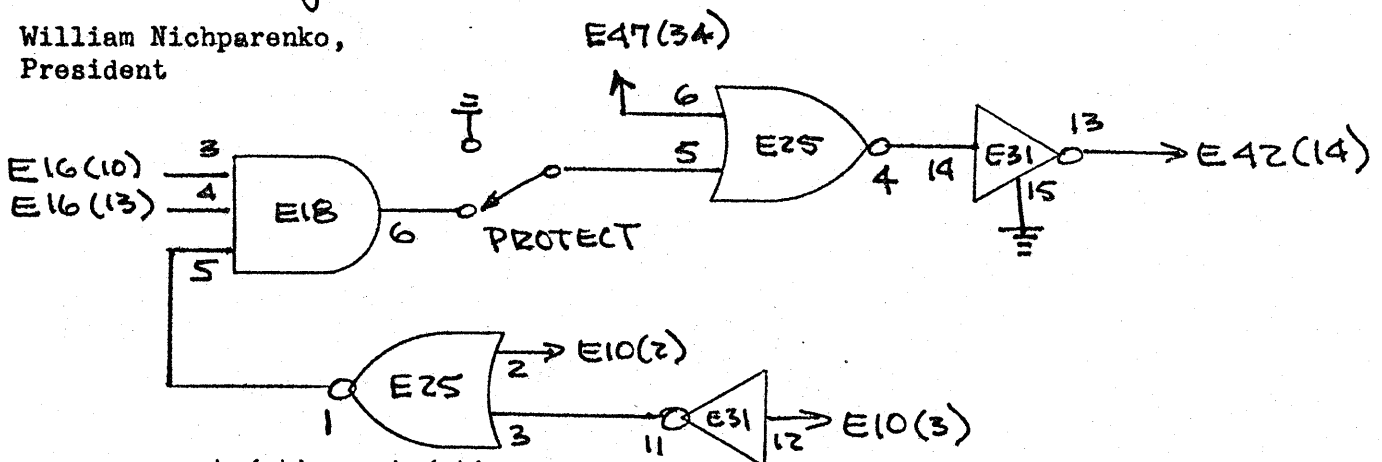
I would very much appreciate a copy of BASIC as soon as it comes out. Hopefully I can read it on my tape system, since that is what the Kansas City standard is all about. The only information I need to know is how you pack the data in the eight bit field, and what sort of labels you use. I can then adjust my software accordingly. A short description of the commands would also be helpful.

Granted your newsletter will be out in 2 to 3 weeks, but if my experience with the last newsletter holds true, the projected date will probably be delayed some, and it takes two weeks to get here by pony express.

Regards,



William Nichparenko,
President



Trace from E47(34) to E42(14)
must be cut.

Trace from E42(15) to E42(1) and E30(6) to E42(15) must be cut. Then connect E42(1) to E30(6), E42(15) to Ground.

The above defeats the write pulse during any addresses 800 to BFF hex. This allows normal editing of assembler programs around the protected program. If desired a protected assembler programs may be stored in the protected space, but 08 must first be loaded with 800, then re-edit via FC68. Location 20 must be loaded with the location of the last assembler byte also.


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0010 REM INVOICING PROGRAM CSS/SWTP BASIC FOR SYSTEM.
0020 DIM VC(10), XC(10)
0030 DIM AE(6), BE(10)
0040 DIM Z(10), WC(10)
0050 PRINT "MAKING INVOICE PROGRAM"
0060 PRINT
0070 DIGITS= 0
0080 PRINT "SELL TO COMPANY NAME"
0090 LET LINPUT AE(1)
0100 PRINT "ADDRESS"
0110 LET LINPUT AE(2)
0120 PRINT "ZONE"
0130 LET LINPUT AE(3)
0140 PRINT "INVOICE DATE"
0150 INPUT AE(4)
0160 PRINT "INVOICE (NO)"
0170 INPUT AE(5)
0180 PRINT "HOW ITEMS"
0190 INPUT M
0200 FOR K=1 TO M
0210 PRINT "ITEM " K
0220 PRINT "MODEL (NO)"
0230 INPUT WK)
0240 PRINT "QUANTITY"
0250 INPUT Z(K)
0260 PRINT "BRAND NAME"
0270 INPUT BE(K)
0280 PRINT "UNIT PRICE"
0290 INPUT V(K)
0300 LET X(K)=Z(K)(AS)V(K)
0310 NEXT K
0320 PRINT "HAVE OR NOT SPARE PARTS"
0330 INPUT CE
0340 PRINT "DISCOUNT %"
0350 INPUT D
0360 FOR K=1 TO M
0370 LET X(K)=INT((X(K)(AS)1000+5)/10)/100
0380 LET X=X+X(K)
0390 NEXT K
0400 LET X=INT((X(AS)1000+5)/10)/100
0410 LET X9=X
0420 PRINT :PRINT
0430 PRINT "PRINT OUT FROM 1=CRT, 7=TTY, 9=READY"
0440 INPUT G
0450 LINE= 0
0460 IF G=9 THEN END
0470 PRINT (NO)G
0480 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(4) AE(1)
0490 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(4) AE(2)
0500 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(4) AE(3)

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0510 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(52);AEC(4)
0520 PRINT (NO)G:PRINT(NO)G
0530 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(26);"INVOICE NO. " AEC(5)
0540 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(26);"-----"
0550 PRINT (NO)G:PRINT(NO)G
0560 FOR K=1TOM
0570 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(2);Z(K);"SETS ";TAB(12);"MODEL ";W(K);" "
    BECK);" "
0580 DIGITS= 2
0590 LET T=INT(LOG(X(K))/LOG(10))
0600 IF X(K)(GT)=1000 GOTO 1490
0610 LET T=INT(LOG(X(K))/LOG(10))
0620 PRINT (NO)G," BRAND RADIO." TAB(48);"@US ";V(K);TAB(64-T);"
    US";X(K)
0630 IF W(K)=710 GOSUB 710
0640 IF W(K)=503 GOSUB 760
0650 IF W(K)=502 GOSUB 760
0660 IF W(K)=3302 GOSUB 810
0670 DIGITS= 0
0680 PRINT (NO)G
0690 NEXT K
0700 GOTO 890
0710 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(12) "8 SOLID STATE PORTABLE RADIO.(6 TR."
0720 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(12) "2 DIODE) FULL CIRCUIT, SW/MW BAND."
0730 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(12) "COMPLETED WITH EARPHONE, UM-1 X 3"
0740 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(12) "BATTERIES, IN PRINTED GIFT BOX."
0750 RETURN
0760 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(12) "6 SOLID STATE POCKET RADIO.(5 TR."
0770 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(12) "2 DIODE) 2-IFT, MW BAND, COMPLETE"
0780 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(12) "WITH UM-3 X 2 BATTERIES, IN"
0790 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(12) "PRINTED GIFT BOX."
0800 RETURN
0810 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(12) "10 SOLID STATE PORTABLE RADIO.(8 TR."
0820 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(12) "2 DIODE) FULL CIRCUIT, SW/MW BAND."
0830 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(12) "COMPLETED WITH UM-1 X 2 BATTERIES,"
0840 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(12) "EARPHONE, CARRYING CASE, IN PRINTED"
0850 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(12) "GIFT BOX.":RETURN
0860 LET T=INT(LOG(X)/LOG(10)):IF X(GT)=1000 GOTO 1530
0870 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(48) "TOTAL: ";TAB(64-T);"US ";X:RETURN
0880 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(12) "1% SPARE PARTS FREE OF CHARGE.":RETUR
    N
0890 DIGITS= 2:GOSUB 860:IF CE="HAVE" GOSUB 880
0900 IF D=0 GOTO 1020
0910 DIGITS= 0
0920 LET DE=STRE(D)
0930 LET D1=X(CAS)(D/100):D1=INT((D1(CAS)1000+5)/10)/100
0940 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(12);DE;"% TO BE LESS DISCOUNT: ";
0950 LET T=INT(LOG(D1)/LOG(10)):DIGITS=2
0960 IF T(LT)0 THEN T=0
0970 IF D1(GT)=1000 GOTO 1570
0980 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(64-T);"US " D1
0990 LET X=X-D1

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1000 LET T=INT(LOG(X)/LOG(10)): IF X(GT)=1000 GOTO 1610
1010 PRINT (NO)G, TAB(48); "TOTAL:"; TAB(64-T); "US"; X
1020 PRINT (NO)G
1030 PRINT (NO)G, TAB(12); "TOTAL U.S. DOLLARS ";
1040 IF X(GT)=100000 GOTO 1060
1050 GOTO 1140
1060 LET Y=100000
1070 GOSUB 1650
1080 GOSUB 2060
1090 PRINT (NO)G, "HUNDERED ";
1100 LET X=(X1-X2)(AS)Y
1110 GOSUB 2060
1120 IF X(LT)999.99 THEN PRINT (NO)G, "THOUSAND ";
1130 IF X=0 THEN PRINT (NO)G, "THOUSAND ";
1140 IF X(GT)=1000 GOTO 1160
1150 GOTO 1230
1160 LET Y=1000
1170 GOSUB 2060
1180 GOSUB 1650
1190 GOSUB 2060
1200 IF (X1-(X2(AS)10))(AS)1000(GT)=1000 THEN X=(X1-(X2(AS)1
0))(AS)1000:GOTO 1160
1210 PRINT (NO)G, "THOUSAND ";
1220 LET X=(X1-X2)(AS)Y
1230 IF X(GT)=100 GOTO 1250
1240 GOTO 1290
1250 LET Y=100
1260 GOSUB 2060
1270 GOSUB 1650:PRINT (NO)G, "HUNDRED ";
1280 LET X=(X1-X2)(AS)Y
1290 IF X(GT)=1 GOTO 1310
1300 GOTO 1360
1310 LET Y=1
1320 GOSUB 2060
1330 GOSUB 1650
1340 IF X1-(X2(AS)10)(GT)=1 THEN X=X1-(X2(AS)10):GOTO 1310
1350 LET X=(X1-X2)(AS)Y
1360 IF X(GT)=.01 GOTO 1380
1370 GOTO 1450
1380 GOSUB 2060
1390 PRINT (NO)G, "AND CENTS ";
1400 LET Y=.01
1410 GOSUB 2060
1420 GOSUB 1650
1430 GOSUB 2060
1440 IF (X1-(X2(AS)10))/100(GT)=.01 THEN X=(X1-(X2(AS)10))/10
0:GOTO 1400
1450 PRINT (NO)G, "ONLY. '"
1460 DIGITS= 0
1470 LET X=X9
1480 GOTO 420
1490 LET WE=STRE(X(K)): T2=X(K)/1000: T3=INT(T2): DIGITS=0: TE=STRE(C

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T3)
1500 DIGITS= 2:ZE=RIGHT$(WE,6)
1510 PRINT (NO)G," BRAND RADIO. ";TAB(48); " @US ";V(K);TAB(63-T); "
    US ";TE;" ";ZE;
1520 GOTO 630
1530 LET WE=STRE(X):T2=X/1000:T3=INT(T2):DIGITS=0:TE=STRE(T3)
1540 DIGITS= 0:ZE=RIGHT$(WE,6)
1550 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(48);"TOTAL: ";TAB(63-T);"US ";TE;" ";ZE;
1560 RETURN
1570 LET WE=STRE(D1):T2=D1/1000:T3=INT(T2):DIGITS=0:TE=STRE(T3)
1580 DIGITS= 2:ZE=RIGHT$(WE,6)
1590 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(63-T);"US ";TE;" ";ZE;
1600 GOTO 990
1610 LET WE=STRE(X):T2=X/1000:T3=INT(T2):DIGITS=0:TE=STRE(T3)
1620 DIGITS= 2:ZE=RIGHT$(WE,6)
1630 PRINT (NO)G,TAB(48) "TOTAL: ";TAB(63-T); "US ";TE;" ";ZE;
1640 GOTO 1020
1650 LET X1=X/Y:X2=INT(X1)
1660 IF X2(GT)=10 GOTO 1790
1670 GOSUB 2060
1680 ON X2 GOSUB 1700,1710,1720,1730,1740,1750,1760,1770,1780
1690 RETURN
1700 PRINT (NO)G,"ONE ";:RETURN
1710 PRINT (NO)G,"TWO ";:RETURN
1720 PRINT (NO)G,"THREE ";:RETURN
1730 PRINT (NO)G,"FOUR ";:RETURN
1740 PRINT (NO)G,"FIVE ";:RETURN
1750 PRINT (NO)G,"SIX ";:RETURN
1760 PRINT (NO)G,"SEVEN ";:RETURN
1770 PRINT (NO)G,"EIGHT ";:RETURN
1780 PRINT (NO)G,"NINE ";:RETURN
1790 IF X2(GT)=20 GOTO 1830
1800 GOSUB 2060
1810 ON X2-9 GOSUB 1880,1890,1900,1910,1920,1930,1940,1950,1960
1820 RETURN
1830 LET X3=INT(X1/10)
1840 GOSUB 2060
1850 ON X3-1 GOSUB 1980,1990,2000,2010,2020,2030,2040,2050
1860 IF X2-(X3(CAS)10)(LT)(GT)0 THEN X2=X3
1870 RETURN
1880 PRINT (NO)G,"TEN ";:RETURN
1890 PRINT (NO)G,"ELEVEN ";:RETURN
1900 PRINT (NO)G,"TWELVE ";:RETURN
1910 PRINT (NO)G,"THIRTEEN ";:RETURN
1920 PRINT (NO)G,"FOURTEEN ";:RETURN
1930 PRINT (NO)G,"FIFTEEN ";:RETURN
1940 PRINT (NO)G,"SIXTEEN ";:RETURN
1950 PRINT (NO)G,"SEVENTEEN ";:RETURN
1960 PRINT (NO)G,"EIGHTEEN ";:RETURN
1970 PRINT (NO)G,"NINETEEN ";:RETURN
1980 PRINT (NO)G,"TWENTY ";:RETURN
1990 PRINT (NO)G,"THIRTY ";:RETURN

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2000 PRINT CNO)G,"FORTY ";:RETURN
2010 PRINT CNO)G,"FIFTY ";:RETURN
2020 PRINT CNO)G,"SIXTY ";:RETURN
2030 PRINT CNO)G,"SEVENTY ";:RETURN
2040 PRINT CNO)G,"EIGHTY ";:RETURN
2050 PRINT CNO)G,"NINETY ";:RETURN
2060 IF POS(LT)59 GOTO 2080
2070 PRINT CNO)G:PRINTCNO)G,"";
2080 RETURN
2090 END

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(No) = # (LT) = < (GT) = > (AS) = *
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We knew it was coming...

They call them "Compu-killers." These are the folks that have had it up to here with the computer monsters---and they strike back with anything they can get their hands on.

Sooner or later it was bound to happen. Being surrounded with all this modern day computerology, and with machines taking what could be described as an arrogant attitude, computercide is becoming a growing phenomenon.

According to computer expert Gary W. Dickson, in a recent magazine article, computer murder is becoming quite common all across the country.

We heard of an insurance salesman in New York a few days ago who became so furious with his computer and the errors it was sending back to him, he attacked it with a screwdriver.

The story is told of a California sheriff who fired a shot at his computer when it poured out the wrong arrests records.

Someone we heard about the other day poured honey into a computer---the only weapon that was near at hand.

Dickson says the University of Minnesota and MIT are very much concerned with this outbreak of computer murder. Both are starting a course for managers to teach them how to cope with employees who just can't take computers any more.

If this computer we are using now for this story says, "Wrong Command" just one more time, we'll sign up for the course, too----or grab a bottle of honey.